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SUBJECT: Evidence of Prof. Buttrey's wide range of interests

DATE: Dec. 24, 1973

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Dear Norman:

Enclosed, you will find copy of a "blind" copy of a reply by P.N.G. Executive Secretary John Smies to an inquiry by Prof. T. V. Buttrey concerning the 1966-67 USAOG P.N.G. Garland - Ryan arbitration.

Since the "blind" copy of the Smies reply was sent to me in confidence, I would strongly appreciate your holding it equally confidential.

Buttrey may have some small claim to a knowledge of Mexican Republican (not Colonial) numismatics, but I am at a loss to comprehend his new found interests in Pioneer gold. I believed that his activities were suspect last September, and questioned his motivation, and am not at all surprised to have my suspicions confirmed.

You might inform your colleagues in the I.A.P.N. about this new development.

I am sending a copy of this Smies - Buttrey letter to Dr. Stefanelli, so that he will have a better idea of Prof. Buttrey's wide range of interests.

cc: Dr. V. Clain-Stefanelli

Kindest regards,

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